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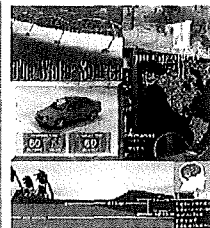
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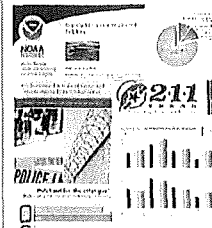
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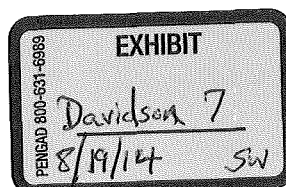
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Name	Biography*	Party	Years in Office	Sessions	Election documents
Joe Strauss	<a href="#">HOUSE</a>	Republican	2009-Present	81st - 83rd	<a href="#">View</a>
Tom Craddick	<a href="#">HOUSE</a>	Republican	2003-2009	78th - 80th	<a href="#">View</a>
James E. "Pete" Laney	<a href="#">POTL</a>	Democrat	1993-2003	73rd - 77th	<a href="#">View</a>
Gibson D. "Gib" Lewis	<a href="#">POTL</a>	Democrat	1983-1993	68th - 72nd	<a href="#">View</a>
Bill Wayne Clayton	<a href="#">POTL</a>	Democrat	1975-1983	64th - 67th	<a href="#">View</a>
Marion Price Daniel, Jr.	<a href="#">HTO</a>	Democrat	1973-1975	63rd	<a href="#">View</a>
William Rayford Price	<a href="#">POTL</a>	Democrat	1972-1973	62nd 2nd - 4th Called Sessions	<a href="#">View</a>
Gus F. Mutscher <sup>1</sup>	<a href="#">POTL</a>	Democrat	1969-1972	61st, 62nd	<a href="#">View</a>
Ben F. Barnes	<a href="#">POTL</a>	Democrat	1965-1969	59th, 60th	<a href="#">View</a>
Byron M. Tunnell	<a href="#">TSC</a>	Democrat	1963	58th	<a href="#">View</a>
James A. Turman	<a href="#">POTL</a>	Democrat	1961	57th	<a href="#">View</a>
Waggoner Carr	<a href="#">POTL</a>	Democrat	1957-1961	55th, 56th	<a href="#">View</a>
Jim T. Lindsey	<a href="#">POTL</a>	Democrat	1955-1957	54th	<a href="#">View</a>
Reuben E. Senterfitt	<a href="#">POTL</a>	Democrat	1951-1955	52nd, 53rd	<a href="#">View</a>
Thomas Durwood Manford, Jr.	<a href="#">TSC</a>	Democrat	1949-1951	51st	<a href="#">View</a>
William O. Reed	<a href="#">POTL</a>	Democrat	1947-1949	50th	<a href="#">View</a>
Claud H. Gilmer	<a href="#">POTL</a>	Democrat	1945-1947	49th	<a href="#">View</a>
Marion Price Daniel	<a href="#">HTO</a>	Democrat	1943-1945	48th	<a href="#">View</a>
Homer LaKirby Leonard	<a href="#">TSC</a>	Democrat	1941-1943	47th	<a href="#">View</a>
Robert Emmett Morse	<a href="#">POTL</a>	Democrat	1939-1941	46th	<a href="#">View</a>
Robert Wilburn Calvert	<a href="#">TSC</a>	Democrat	1937-1939	45th	<a href="#">View</a>
Coke Robert Stevenson	<a href="#">HTO</a>	Democrat	1933-1937	43rd, 44th	<a href="#">View</a>
Fred Hawthorne Minor	<a href="#">HTO</a>	Democrat	1931-1933	42nd	<a href="#">View</a>
Wingate S. Barron	<a href="#">POTL</a>	Democrat	1929-1931	41st	<a href="#">View</a>
Robert Lee Bobbitt	<a href="#">POTL</a>	Democrat	1927-1929	40th	<a href="#">View</a>
Robert Lee Satterwhite	<a href="#">POTL</a>	Democrat	1925-1927	39th	<a href="#">View</a>
Richard Ernest Seagler	<a href="#">HTO</a>	Democrat	1923-1925	38th	<a href="#">View</a>
Charles Graham Thomas	<a href="#">HTO</a>	Democrat	1921-1923	37th	<a href="#">View</a>
Robert Ewing Thomason	<a href="#">HTO</a>	Democrat	1919-1921	36th	<a href="#">View</a>
Franklin Oliver Fuller	<a href="#">HTO</a>	Democrat	1917-1919	35th	<a href="#">View</a>
John William Woods	<a href="#">HTO</a>	Democrat	1915-1917	34th	<a href="#">View</a>
Chester H. Terrell	<a href="#">HTO</a>	Democrat	1913-1915	33rd	<a href="#">View</a>
Samuel Taliaferro Rayburn	<a href="#">HTO</a>	Democrat	1911-1913	32nd	<a href="#">View</a>
John Wesley Marshall	<a href="#">POTL</a>	Democrat	1909-1911	31st	<a href="#">View</a>
Austin Milton Kennedy	<a href="#">POTL</a>	Democrat	1909	31st	<a href="#">View</a>
Thomas Bell Love	<a href="#">HTO</a>	Democrat	1907-1909	30th	<a href="#">View</a>
Francis William Seabury	<a href="#">POTL</a>	Democrat	1905-1907	29th	<a href="#">View</a>
Pat Morris Neff	<a href="#">HTO</a>	Democrat	1903-1905	28th	<a href="#">View</a>
Robert E. Prince	<a href="#">POTL</a>	Democrat	1901-1903	27th	<a href="#">View</a>
J. S. Sherrill	<a href="#">POTL</a>	Democrat	1899-1901	26th	<a href="#">View</a>
L. Travis Dashiell	<a href="#">HTO</a>	Democrat	1897-1899	25th	<a href="#">View</a>
Thomas Slater Smith	<a href="#">HTO</a>	Democrat	1895-1897	24th	<a href="#">View</a>
John Hughes Cochran	<a href="#">HTO</a>	Democrat	1893-1895	23rd	<a href="#">View</a>
Robert Teague Milner	<a href="#">HTO</a>	Democrat	1891-1893	22nd	<a href="#">View</a>
Frank P. Alexander	<a href="#">POTL</a>	Democrat	1889-1891	21st	<a href="#">View</a>
George Cassety Pendleton	<a href="#">HTO</a>	Democrat	1887-1889	20th	<a href="#">View</a>
Lafayette Lumpkin Foster	<a href="#">HTO</a>	Democrat	1885-1887	19th	<a href="#">View</a>
Charles Reese Gibson	<a href="#">HTO</a>	Democrat	1883-1885	18th	<a href="#">View</a>
George Robertson Reeves	<a href="#">HTO</a>	Democrat	1881-1883	17th	<a href="#">View</a>
John Hughes Cochran	<a href="#">HTO</a>	Democrat	1879-1881	16th	<a href="#">View</a>
Thomas Reuben Bonner	<a href="#">HTO</a>	Democrat	1876-1879	15th	<a href="#">View</a>
Guy Morrison Bryan	<a href="#">HTO</a>	Democrat	1874-1876	14th	<a href="#">View</a>
Marion DeKalb Taylor	<a href="#">HTO</a>	Democrat	1873-1874	13th	<a href="#">View</a>
William Henry Sinclair	<a href="#">POTL</a>	Republican	1871-1873	12th	<a href="#">View</a>
Ira Hobart Evans	<a href="#">HTO</a>	Republican	1870-1871	12th	<a href="#">View</a>
Nathaniel Macon Burford	<a href="#">HTO</a>	Unionist	1866-1870	11th	<a href="#">View</a>
Marion DeKalb Taylor	<a href="#">HTO</a>	Democrat	1863-1866	10th	<a href="#">View</a>
Constantine W. Buckley	<a href="#">HTO</a>	Democrat	1863	9th	<a href="#">View</a>
Nicholas Henry Darnell	<a href="#">HTO</a>	Democrat	1861-1862	9th	<a href="#">View</a>
Constantine W. Buckley	<a href="#">HTO</a>	Democrat	1861	9th	<a href="#">View</a>
Marion DeKalb Taylor	<a href="#">HTO</a>	Democrat	1859-1861	8th	<a href="#">View</a>
Matthew Fielding Locke	<a href="#">POTL</a>	Democrat	1858-1859	7th	<a href="#">View</a>
William S. Taylor	<a href="#">POTL</a>	Democrat	1857-1858	7th	<a href="#">View</a>
Hamilton Prioleau Bee	<a href="#">HTO</a>	Democrat	1855-1857	6th	<a href="#">View</a>
Hardin Richard Runnels	<a href="#">HTO</a>	Democrat	1853-1855	5th	<a href="#">View</a>
David Catchings Dickson	<a href="#">HTO</a>	Democrat	1851-1853	4th	<a href="#">View</a>
Charles G. Keenan	<a href="#">HTO</a>	Democrat	1849-1851	3rd	<a href="#">View</a>
James Wilson Henderson	<a href="#">HTO</a>	Democrat	1847-1849	2nd	<a href="#">View</a>
Stephen W. Perkins	<a href="#">HTO</a>	Democrat	1846	1st	<a href="#">View</a>
William H. Bourland	<a href="#">HTO</a>	Democrat	1846-1847	1st	<a href="#">View</a>

Edward Thomas Branch	<a href="#">HTO</a>	Democrat	1846	1st	<a href="#">View</a>
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William E. Crump	<a href="#">POTL</a>	Democrat	1846	1st	<a href="#">View</a>

\*Key to abbreviations:

HOUSE=Texas House of Representatives; HTO=Handbook of Texas Online; POTL=Presiding Officers of the Texas Legislature 1846-1991; TSC=Texas State Cemetery

1. In a [letter dated 3/27/1972](#), Gus Mutscher resigned as Speaker of the Texas House of Representatives, effective upon the election of his successor by the Second Called Session of the 62nd Legislature. Pursuant to [Rule I, Section 10](#) of the Rules of the Texas House of Representatives of the 62nd Legislature, Gus Mutscher appointed James Slider to call the House to order on the first day of the Second Called Session and to preside over the House pending the election of the Speaker.

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